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## Liquor violation results in closed doors

By ABBY SIMONS  
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After reviewing numerous violations for underage drinking last fall, the Maryville City Council decided to temporarily close a local drinking establishment.

The Council voted unanimously at a liquor license hearing Monday to close the World Famous Outback under the city's suspension and revocation code. The Council decided to close the Outback the weekend of Feb. 22-23, but the bar will stay open until its regular closing time of 1:30 a.m. on Feb. 22.

Charges against the Outback stem from reports of underage drinking which took place in the bar between August and October, including two incidents of the sale of alcohol to a minor.

Outback owner Matt Nalevanko was present at the hearing with attorney Jake Jacobey. Nalevanko argued that although the bar was not entirely to blame, steps have been taken to prevent future incidents of bartenders serving to minors, including the immediate termination of bartenders involved in the sale of alcohol to minors.

"The two who served to minors in both instances were immediately fired," Nalevanko said. "I have since created a release to have the bartenders sign saying that if they serve to a minor under any circumstances, they will be fired."

The Council also discussed Nalevanko's recent attempts to cure prob-

lems of the bar by issuing the staff flashlights to check for underage drinking on the darkened dance floor, limiting coat checks and watching purchasers of multiple drinks who may possibly be supplying to minors.

"Not everything is coming from outside sources, but it is a big part," Nalevanko said. "We have girls entering the bar with purses full of beer, or guys coming in with cargo pants full of alcohol. The problem is that they just don't care about getting caught."

Nalevanko said he increased staff and slowed the rate of entrance to the bar so that doormen may more closely identify when fake or falsified IDs are used. Nalevanko also eliminated pitcher specials, which resulted in high instances of underage drinking.

"We really try to control the problem by watching those who may be supplying to minors, but it's hard to do when the situation often involves people simply reaching over and taking drinks out of someone else's beer," Nalevanko said. "We're trying hard to control that, however."

Maryville Public Safety came under some fire at the hearing when Nalevanko suggested that the Outback was

treated more unfair than other bars.

"Walk-throughs by the officers usually last about an hour and a half, or sometimes they just come into the bar and stand," Nalevanko said. "I have no problem with officers doing their checks, but if they must hang around to look for trouble, then I have a problem with that."

Director of Public Safety Keith Wood defended Public Safety's position at the hearing.

"I do see Mr. Nalevanko's side, but I don't necessarily agree that we're spending an inordinate amount of time at his location compared to others," Wood said.

Wood said that Nalevanko had previously addressed the city with these concerns several months before the hearing. As a result, Public Safety now logs the specific times that officers enter and exit the bar.

The visits by Public Safety to local drinking establishments result in part from a \$3,000 grant from the Missouri Youth Advocate Alliance, who encourages the compliance checks, Wood said.

"We'd like to perhaps begin applying these funds to something more proactive, such as meeting with bar owners for ideas to stop underage drinking,

or funding signage to post regulations in the bar," he said.

Council members were also interested in working to find a solution to underage drinking in local bars.

"Let's move forward with a short suspension to get this behind us and focus on preventing more problems in the future," Councilman Brad Lager said.

Mayor Pro Tem Ron Moss suggested the Council monitor the bar's progress on their own.

He also suggested the bar change its entrance age to 21 as opposed to the current age of 19. Nalevanko argued the decision to do that would hurt his business greatly. Lager agreed that increasing the age would not be effective, as it would not stop underage drinking in the community.

Councilman John Jasinski asked Nalevanko how proactive he had been in preventing underage drinking in his bar, on a scale of one to 10.

"I'd say a seven or an eight," Nalevanko replied. "We're trying to get this into people's heads that I'm not putting up with this anymore, and I've trained my employees not to put up with it."

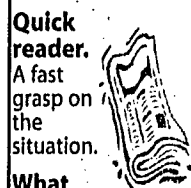
Nalevanko said this was the first time the Outback has been closed by the city under his two-year ownership.

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WORLD FAMOUS OUTBACK OWNER



**Quick reader.**  
A fast grasp on the situation.  
**What happened?**  
Maryville City Council voted unanimously to close The World Famous Outback under the city's suspension and revocation code.

**When?**  
The Outback will be closed the weekend of Feb. 22-23

**Why?**  
The Outback was reported having underage drinkers in the bar between August and October. There were also two incidents of the sale of alcohol to a minor.

**What else is being done?**  
The two bartenders who sold alcohol to minors were fired. Outback employees were also issued flashlights to check for underage drinkers on the dark dance floor.

## Station receives license

By CLARK GRELL  
CHIEF REPORTER

KDLX is heading in a new direction. The station will go from its current format, being broadcast over cable channel nine, to a low-power radio station.

The station applied for a license in January 2001, but did not receive approval from the Federal Communications Commission until Feb. 1.

Jerry Donnelly, radio adviser and chief operator, said the slow process is normal for the FCC, since it must deal with applicants from all over the United States, including many from Missouri.

The low-power radio station is a new class of radio stations that the FCC began two years ago. The stations broadcast at 100 watts over a small area.

"The main positive is that it is a real radio station and the signal can be heard in cars and other receivers in town," Donnelly said. "There is much more of a potential audience."

The new setup will, in time, feature more programs, community information and University information, Donnelly said.

The station will have to change its call letters from KDLX to KZLX, because a radio station in Hawaii already occupies the call letters KDLX. The station will be broadcast on 106.7 FM.

The biggest difference in switching to the low-power radio station is it is a non-commercial operation. Advertising will not be allowed over the airwaves.

Disc jockeys will still be selling underwriting announcements, which will help students gain experience in that area, Donnelly said. Underwriting is written announcements given over the air by students.

The station will have more restrictions from the FCC than it does at its current format.

"Things are going to change," said Caroline Gross, programming director for KDLX. "There is so much that the FCC can do as far as restrictions."

The FCC limits what can be said and done on the air. It also does checkups when needed.

Northwest was granted a construction permit from the FCC to put up new equipment necessary for broadcasting. The equipment is already in place from the current setup. The only addition will be a transmitter, around \$4,000, that will need to be purchased, Donnelly said.

The campus is now looking for bids for transmitters and FM antennas. In most cases, construction of a low-power radio station takes up to 18 months, but since Northwest has most of the equipment in place, it could be on the air in a matter of weeks, said Charlie Maley, equipment chief engineer.

Donnelly said he hopes the station is up and going by April, in time for students to experiment with the new setup before the end of the spring trimester.

"We are trying really hard to get everything together in time for our seniors who have worked at the station since they started college," Donnelly said.

KDLX partnered with the Northwest Foundation to apply for the license. Normally, the Board of Regents would hold the license for a college radio station, but the FCC prohibits the Board of Regents from owning two licenses.

The Board currently holds the license for KCCV.

Gross said it is important for the station to be broadcast over radio waves.

"Some people don't want to listen to KDLX, because it is broadcast on the television," she said. "This will attract people who can listen to it in their cars and other places. It will offer more variety."

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## Program provides student teachers career experience

By KARA SWINK  
CHIEF REPORTER

Education majors now can student teach as actual teachers in the Kansas City Missouri School District for a full academic year while receiving college credit, a salary and benefits.

The residential internship program, funded by the Kauffman Foundation and the Hall family, places interns who are in their senior year of college in the school district for one school year. Northwest and two other universities are participating in the residential internship with the KCMUSD.

The universities who will participate in the program will draw closer to urban districts with interaction, curriculum and diversity, said Max Ruhl, dean of education.

Northwest, the managing partner, has committed to provide 15 to 20 student interns at full program capacity. Northwest, Lincoln University in Jefferson City, Mo., and the University of Missouri-Kansas City teamed up with KCMUSD to provide programs and help with teacher recruitment within the district to fill vacancy spots of 300 teaching positions.

The pilot's purpose is to develop 20 qualified teachers during its first year and 40 or more the following. Interns will have a solid grasp of the Missouri School Improvement Program standards and be able to apply what they learned, Ruhl said.

The goal of the internship program is to prepare qualified teachers to meet the current needs of the KCMUSD, while helping to supply K-12 teachers for the district's future, Ruhl said. "It was recognized two years ago that the Kansas City Missouri School District was going to lose its accreditation, which raised the importance of higher education coming to the rescue," Ruhl said.

Those interested in an intern position will be subjected to an intern review committee and the committee will conduct interviews of the finalist. Interns will complete a 10-day orientation during the summer.

During the internship, weekly observations will be conducted, with the supervising teacher using formative evaluation from Northwest to evaluate the intern.

The interns will each receive \$11,930 income with a benefits package, which includes a retirement fund. Remaining funds would cover tuition costs for up to 16 hours of credit. Interns will also commit to teach in the district at least one more year following their internship.

"First-year teachers are not choosing to go into the urban districts, and the internship wants to change that," said Jean Bouas, supervising director of the internship.

Participants will live in a residence facility at Loretto, an apartment complex in Kansas City. Northwest has been covering the cost of the apartment lease since January.

Applications can be picked up at Brown Hall 233 and need to be returned by March 1.



Frank Butler, Buffalo Bill and Annie Oakley dazzle the crowd with the hit song "There's No Business Like Show Business." The play was performed Wednesday night at the Mary Linn Auditorium and tells the story of legendary sharpshooter Annie Oakley.

## Musical makes for wild Northwest

By KARA SWINK  
CHIEF REPORTER

Fictional character and sharpshooter Annie Oakley brought the wild west to life Wednesday night as the Mary Linn Auditorium played host to the time-telling classic, "Annie Get Your Gun."

Irving Berlin's classic, a lively performance with hit songs, "There's No Business Like Show Business" and "Anything You Can Do (I Can Do Better)" portrays the gun-toting markswoman who took the Wild West Show by storm.

"The play was brought to Maryville because it is a popular Broadway musical and one we thought many would enjoy," Bryan Vanosdale, director of campus activities said.

Technical theatre design major, Brooks Schroeder worked electrician during the show, which taught him aspects of the theater world, he said.

"I always take away different ways of doing things," Schroeder said. "They are more professional at doing things and the play opened up possibilities for something that I would really like to do in the technical field."

Annie, played by Bonnie Estes, is a young girl with an incredible shooting technique who meets champion Frank Butler played by Stephen Valahovic. Annie shows Frank her shooting ability, which left Frank to feel challenged by her quick draw. After beating Frank in a draw she falls hopelessly in love with him. Annie, wanting to be near Frank, accepts a job as his assistant on the Wild West Show.

Later, Buffalo Bill, played by Chris McDaniel, finds out his show is going broke because of competition from the Far East Show starring Pawnee Bill. Buffalo Bill gives Annie the chance to

do her own act, which overtakes Frank's ratings. Frank leaves the show and joins up with Pawnee Bill.

While Annie is left heartbroken, Sioux warrior Sitting Bull, played by Stewart Brown, adopts Annie and puts up money for the Wild West Show.

After a European tour, Annie comes back to the United States and sees Frank for the first time since he left the Wild West Show. They pronounce their love for each other and Frank presents Annie with his medals inscribed "to the sharpshooter of the world."

Northwest students who attended the play enjoyed the music and atmosphere.

"I thought the play was really good and I really enjoyed it," said Ashley Hickman, elementary education major. "I'm glad Northwest has plays like this come, because I think it's great for people to get this kind of experience."

## New water plant to improve service for Maryville residents

By KARA SWINK  
CHIEF REPORTER

The city of Maryville will soon benefit from a new water treatment center.

The construction of Maryville's water treatment plant will treat 5 million gallons of water, up from the current 2.5 million each day, speeding the process from eight hours to 15 minutes.

The bond issued for \$4.5 million for the water treatment plant has moved up to \$4.9 million after an additional piece of equipment was bought; however, the plant is trying to stay within the budget.

The quantity of water was what drove the initial expansion of the water plant.

"We were finding that in the middle of July, August and September we were running 24 hours a day, seven days a

week," said Barry Collins, water plant superintendent.

The Department of Natural Resources relayed information to the plant whether to treat water as conventional or with a membrane treatment system. In the end, they went with the membrane treatment system, which will better stand up to compliance, he said.

The main difference in the new treatment plant is filters. The filters will pull water through an extremely small opening, which will then collect in a header and move it through the system and out.

"An example of it would be pulling water through a straw, that's what will happen," Collins said.

Although there are filters, they will not strip water of everything.

"We aren't going to remove everything from the water, but we are gen-

erally going to remove a lot of the bacteria," Collins said. "It will even be rejecting some of the viruses that pass through."

The water treatment will leave fewer bacteria in water than what other plants find, even after filtration in conventional service water, he said.

The two buildings, the old and the new one, are going to be working together to treat water that comes in. The old building will perform treatments and then move water into the new building for distribution.

As completion of the water treatment plant wraps up, Collins has been satisfied with the time schedule and has faced very few problems. One problem the plant has faced is the fact that the weather has been warm lately, leaving water with an unfamiliar taste and odor because of the dry weather.

Maryville is not the only city to experiment with membrane water treatment. Many reports have come in from other plants encouraging the membrane treatment filters because of water quality and taste.

"You are not locked into only one type of treatment and some reports have said that the water tastes and looks better," Collins said.

The plant has been working with ET Archer Engineering Firm. The firm designed the building around the membrane system from the associated piping and the elevations within.

The plant will serve the Public Water District No. 1 for the Nodaway County area receiving water from Moxingo Lake.

"The new plant is going to be a very positive impact and most people won't notice a difference," Collins said.



Aaron Miller of R & S Electric installs lights in the new water treatment facility Tuesday. The projection for completion of the plant is this spring.

## Sorority plans clothing sale

By LORI REED  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The ladies of Sigma Sigma Sigma are presenting the Northwest community and surrounding areas with an opportunity to buy name-brand clothing at reasonable prices.

With the help of Banana Box Clothing Sales, Sigma Sigma Sigma will be holding its first clothing sale from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Feb. 16 at the University Conference Center.

"We have been working really hard since the beginning of October to make this event work and we are really excited to start the clothing sale for something new to do," said Tara Fischer, co-chair of the Robbie Page Memorial Committee. "We are hoping to make this an annual event if everything goes well."

Clothing will be available in all sizes ranging from infant to adult 4X and will mainly consist of factory overstocks and irregular items.

Name-brand clothing from Fubu, Old Navy, Abercrombie, Eddie Bauer, Gap, Nike, Tommy Hilfiger, PlaySkool, American Eagle, Carter's, Gear, Van Husen and Land's End will be available at the clothing sale titled "Retailing for Robbie." Individual items will sell at prices ranging from \$2 to \$55.

All proceeds from the sale will go to the Robbie Page Memorial Foundation, Tri-Sigma's national philanthropy. The Robbie Page Memorial Foundation assists children with cancer. The proceeds raised from the clothing sale will provide play therapy for children diagnosed with cancer.

"Tri-Sig wants to encourage everyone to attend because we want to help kids, and all of the proceeds from the clothing sale go directly to our national philanthropy," said Stephanie Meints, co-chair of the Robbie Page Memorial Foundation.

If people are unable to attend the Tri-Sigma clothing sale but would like to contribute to the Foundation, they can call Sigma Sigma Sigma president, Tiffany Barmann, at 562-5400.

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Scott Rivera sorts through free condom roses offered at the Union at noon Wednesday. Rights teaches sexual awareness during the Valentine's Day week.

## Week encourages safety

Rights organization promotes sexual responsibility through education

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This week, nationally known as Sexual Responsibility Week, will be filled with activities planned by Rights to promote sexual awareness.

Scott Rivera, vice president of Rights, said Sexual Responsibility Week is about bringing up issues of safe sex and letting students know how to prevent pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases.

The week is also about raising campus awareness.

"We have this week so that everyone takes a moment to stop and reflect on the choices they've made in the past, whether they were good choices or not so good so they can change the choices they make in the future," said Trista Ide, president of Rights.

Rights is sponsoring Sexual Responsibility Week because the organization is about helping people make the right decisions regarding relationships and social activities, Ide said.

Rights is sponsoring many events to promote the week.

Condom Bingo was held in Franken Hall Monday night. The event was similar to original bingo, but it tied in the theme of sexual responsibility. In the game, "B" stood

for birth control, "I" for infections and diseases, and so forth. The bingo players used c o n d o m packages for markers and were given the opportunity to win prizes.

A long with bingo, participants had the chance to guess how many marbles would fit into a condom before it broke.

All week Rights opened a booth on the first floor of the Union, selling T-shirts, condoms and condom roses. Rights is also selling raffle tickets for prizes. The raffle will be drawn Friday night at Midnight Bowling, also sponsored by Rights.

Midnight Bowling will take place from midnight until 2 a.m. Friday at Bearcat Lanes. The cost is \$1 for shoes with free bowling for two hours. They will also be raffling off

about \$300 in prizes at the bowling event. Ide said anyone is welcome to participate in the event.

With all the week's activities, there is still a serious message being

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SCOTT RIVERA  
VICE PRESIDENT OF RIGHTS

conveyed, Rivera said. "I just hope people stop and think and realize the choices they are making are affecting a wide range of people," he said.

For more information about Sexual Responsibility Week, the Rights organization or responsible decision-making, contact the Rights office at 562-1114.

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## Student debit card addition awaits Board vote

By LAURA PEARL  
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With cooperation from one local bank, Northwest may offer future Bearcat card users additional spending options.

The University is looking into adding checking account privileges to the Bearcat card. These privileges would allow cardholders to use their cards like debit cards and to have more access to a local banking system, said Mark Hetzler, director of residential life.

Hetzler, along with University Treasurer Jeanette Whited, has researched the feasibility and benefits

of campus debit cards. Along with help from University officials and student focus groups, the two have developed a tentative plan that, if approved, will allow students to use their Bearcat cards as debit cards.

"This really gives students a great opportunity to use their Bearcat cards for more than just the things we do here on campus," Hetzler said.

The card changes will require more than just University support to become a reality, however. Support from local banks is a crucial ingredient.

The University first considered the debit card addition more than two years ago, but local banks were

not enthusiastic then, Hetzler said. "At that point, there was very little interest, so we put it to bed for a little while," he said.

Late last fall, the idea resurfaced. Hetzler and Whited presented the idea to the President's Cabinet in November, specifying that a local bank must be a co-participant in the undertaking, Hetzler said.

A few weeks later, Hetzler and Whited presented the idea to local bank representatives. During fall finals week, the two met with bank representatives again and then released a "request for proposals." Two banks responded to the RFP, and

one bank submitted a proposal.

Whited clarified the bank's proposal and then took it to the Cabinet. The Cabinet gave the project a green light. The project will go before the Board of Regents Feb. 21.

If the Board approves the additions, Northwest will begin working out details with the bank and implementing changes to the campus to get the new capabilities up and running by fall 2002, Hetzler said.

To gain debit card privileges, a student must first set up a checking account with the participating bank. Bank representatives will occasionally visit campus to assist stu-

dents with this process.

The participating bank has agreed to allow students to set up accounts with no fee, no minimum balance, unlimited check writing and no check-ordering fee.

The bank will also store cancelled checks and allow accounts with balances of more than \$2,000 to earn interest. If students choose to go through a credit approval process, they may also have overdraft protection.

One ATM machine will sit inside the Student Union, and, as time progresses, more may be added, Hetzler said. Students to get cash.

## Alarms create hassles

By WARREN CROUSE  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Four days, four fire alarms — residents of Franken Hall have about had it.

"It's kind of a pain," said resident Shane McAsey. "I don't want to keep getting up in the night."

The alarms occurred at 2 a.m. both Saturday and Sunday, 5:30 a.m. Monday and 6 p.m. Tuesday.

Residents are upset because there appears to be no danger at the times of the alarms, said Scott Walk, health and safety manager of Environmental Services.

"I don't believe anyone is setting it off," said Walk. "It is in an area that can't be gotten to without a key."

The smoke head that is causing the problem is located in a locked mechanical room, Walk said. The focus is on a hot water pop-off valve as the source of the trouble.

Walk stressed that there is no danger to anyone.

He said that he would do anything in his power to keep from inconveniencing residents.

The problem is what will happen if this pattern continues.

"There are a lot of people that said they are going to blow it (the alarm) off," said McAsey. "My girlfriend twisted her ankle from the first alarm. That made it fun for her ... for the next one."

Hall Director Kristen Jackson said there really has not been any problem with people getting out of their rooms when the alarms have gone off, so far.

Since the origin of the alarms has not yet been pinpointed, residents of Franken Hall should keep a pair of shoes ready, just in case.

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## Strategic Planning Council meets, discusses initiatives

By LAURA PEARL  
UNIVERSITY NEWS EDITOR

University administrators, faculty, students and staff left behind desks and divisions to team up as Northwest family members Saturday at the annual Strategic Planning Retreat.

The retreat, which brings diverse members of the campus together to analyze Northwest's performance and to brainstorm plans for future improvements, began at 8 a.m. in the Student Union University Club and concluded shortly after 2 p.m.

Tom Vansaghi, executive assistant to the president, coordinated the event, from the early morning opening remarks until the farewell. To kick off the retreat, Vansaghi asked retreat participants to validate Northwest's strategic initiatives, come up with new initiatives and get rid of unnecessary initiatives.

Participants first broke into environmental scan groups. These groups discussed technological, economic, competitive, social, political and demographic trends in higher education. Each group then identified one or more "mega trends" in its respective category and presented these findings.

University President Dean Hubbard followed the mega trend



Jayna Vaccaro and Dan Ayala discuss diversity issues at the annual Strategic Planning Council Retreat Saturday. Diversity was a key focus of the afternoon session of the day-long event.

reporting session with a PowerPoint presentation highlighting feedback Northwest received from the Missouri Quality Award campus-visiting team and from national Baldrige Award judges.

Hubbard presented the 11 common strengths expressed by both Missouri Quality Award and Baldrige judges.

Strengths included the University's Culture of Quality endeavors, inno-

vative culture, quality systems model, SSPP, measurement systems, student satisfaction, faculty/staff satisfaction, many positive trends, financial performance, communication and alignment, and student academic performance.

Missouri Quality Award judges shared six "opportunities for improvement," which included the University's system for setting improvement priorities, analyses to

support improvements, knowledge-sharing practices, aggregation of shareholder data at the University level, succession planning and knowledge transfer, and human relations measures.

Baldrige judges suggested the University focus on all shareholders/stakeholders and web-based learners, develop tighter segmentation of those served by the University, look at comparative data, develop reactive approaches, work on supplier/partner integration and develop formative measures.

The feedback provided the University and retreat participants with more background for discussion and planning, Hubbard said.

"What we want to get from this is where we want to be in 10 to 15 years and how we, as a university, can make it so," Hubbard said. "You never plan in a vacuum. You have to plan in a context."

After the presentation, representatives from each of the seven strategic initiatives presented infomercials to promote their areas. Initiatives included technology, teacher assessment, assessment, human resources, diversity, centennial and financial literacy.

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### NEWS IN BRIEF

#### Spring Wind Symphony Concert set to take place

Northwest Missouri State University students will perform this year's Wind Symphony Band Concert at 3 p.m. Feb. 17 at the Performing Arts Center.

The concert will feature performances from the Symphonic Band, Wind Symphony and the Northwest Brass Quintet.

The guest conductor for the 2002 concert will be Keith House, retired director of bands from Central Methodist College in Fayette.

The concert is free and open to the public. For more information, contact the music department at 562-1315.

#### Celebration of Quality application deadline nears

Submission opportunities for the Celebration of Quality symposium are drawing to a close.

The event, which allows students to showcase papers and projects, is open to all students.

Applications are available from Nancy Mayer in the English department or through individual instructors. The deadline for all applications is Feb. 15.

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Peering from inside its pen, a dog awaits adoption at the local Humane Society. The group recently acquired 8.3 acres on Maple Street to construct a new facility.

## Animal shelter plans to rebuild structure

By CLARK GRELL  
CHIEF REPORTER

With its current shelter not up to standards and more space needed, the local Humane Society Committee is raising money for a new animal shelter.

Half the money has been raised for the project, said Chanda Funston, Humane Society Committee president.

Funston said state inspectors have not approved of the building's current condition and bad wiring has made the shelter a fire hazard.

The city will use the old building for housing after the animals have been moved into the new shelter.

The committee made plans for the building, which is scheduled to be completed by midsummer. The group has acquired 8.3 acres on South Maple Street for the project.

Funston said the committee wants the shelter to be more attractive and appealing.

The new building will include a laundry room, new pens, an acquaintance room and a new heating and cooling system.

Funston said the acquaintance room will be a positive place for families to get to know the animals.

"There isn't a room where visitors could watch how the animal behaves," she said. "This way they can play with the animal and get to know it."

There are many reasons why the new building is needed.

Space is an issue in the current shelter. Funston said the shelter is now taking care of approximately 40 dogs and 30 cats. The cats are being cared for in a separate facility outside the shelter. The current shelter is 2,000 square feet, not in-

cluding the cat shelter.

A check-in room is in the new building's plans where animals will come in and be checked for illnesses before being added to the general area.

"This would keep the animals healthy," Funston said. "We don't want any diseases around that could kill puppies."

Funston said puppies are more vulnerable to diseases and illnesses than older dogs and cats are.

The shelter will also house an adoption room as well as an educational room for children to learn more about animals.

Funston said the new facility will also lower veterinarian bills, since the animals will be able to live in a more adaptable environment.

The committee is working on fundraisers to complete the funds needed for construction of the new building.

"We are just getting started," said Arnold Lindaman, head of the fundraising and building committee. "We are soon going to be receiving a financial plan and a draft."

Funston said the committee looks forward to working with the new shelter and keeping their adoption rates at a high pace.

"We are trying to plan ahead that our shelter would service the community for years to come," Funston said. "Not only do we service the city of Maryville, but we also service Nodaway County."

Volunteers and organizations wanting to help with fundraising can contact Arnold Lindaman at 562-3060.

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# Company wins national award

By CLARK GRELL  
CHIEF REPORTER

Loch Sand and Construction Co. of Maryville was presented the National Paving Award for the best commercial service and military airport project on Dec. 1 in San Diego.

The basis of the award is to recognize those that achieve excellence in concrete pavement projects.

The American Concrete Pavement Association, which considers companies throughout the nation, presented the award to Loch Sand and Construction based on their work done at Kansas City International Airport.

"This is something we are certainly proud of," said Bob Loch, president of Loch Construction. "We are extremely pleased that our company is being recognized."

A panel of industry experts judged 90 entries across the United States. Companies were evaluated on overall pavement smoothness, quality-control measures, innovative construction solutions and project complexity.

The workers involved in the project accepted the award along with others, including Rob Loch, treasurer and equipment manager.

Bob Loch said he knew his company had a chance at receiving the award after winning the

Missouri/Kansas award for best commercial service project in the region.

The purpose of the airport project was to update Terminal B and C pavement at KCI. Many steps included the installation of storm sewers, a lime-treated subgrade and concrete pavement.

The project was a challenge for the company, but was not the first of this nature. This was one of five projects that Loch Construction had worked on at KCI.

"This type of construction is certainly different than highway work," Loch said. "The scheduling process and security came into play doing a project like that."

Loch said a project like this had to be done in phases because of the scheduling of flights.

Workers had to deal with flight schedules and at times were working up to 24 hours a day, something that Loch said was taken into consideration when the company was up for the award. The project took two years to complete.

Loch Construction hopes this award helps the company get considered for other projects.

"It certainly helps you be prequalified for future projects," Loch said.

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## Maryville students receive recognition

By CHRIS LITTLE  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Leadership and scholarship were honored recently when two Maryville High School seniors were recognized.

Leah Taylor, a senior at Maryville High School, was selected from a group of five applicants to represent the Maryville R-II School District at the regional level for the John T. Belcher Memorial Scholarship. The award is sponsored by Future Builders, the educational foundation of the Missouri School Boards' Association. Taylor is a member of the National Honor Society and the Student Council. She also participates in soccer, volleyball, basket-

ball, Leo Club, Key Club, Future Business Leaders of America and Art Club.

Taylor and 12 other regional winners have been chosen in the scholarship competition based on academic achievement, need, leadership abilities and the quality of an essay about the strengths and challenges of public education. The regional winners will be awarded one-time \$500 scholarships. From this group, one state-wide winner will be selected and awarded a \$1,000 scholarship. This student is then recognized at the MSBA Leadership Conference in June.

"The leadership conference should be an excellent learning ex-

perience," Taylor said. "I hope to make many good connections while maybe earning some money at the same time."

Another award recipient, Josh Simpson, is also a senior. He was chosen to attend the Young Leaders Conference in Washington, D.C. Feb. 12-17. Simpson was one of five nominees from St. Gregory's Catholic Church and was selected by the Congressional Youth Leadership Council to attend the workshop.

Simpson will spend five days at the nation's capital and many activities have been planned for attending students. There will be question and answer sessions with senators and President George W. Bush's staff.

They will attend a mock Supreme Court hearing, dealing with issues such as gun control and religion in schools. Each student will have to take a turn in the "If I were president scenario" and answer questions that deal with foreign and domestic affairs. Simpson said the highlight of the week will be a U.S. House of Representatives debate over what government needs to change.

"I'm so excited," Simpson said. "I can't wait to get there. The Supreme Court hearing should be a lot of fun. I hope I can use what I learn to help others with their problems."

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### Rockin' in style



PHOTO BY LAURA SECK/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER  
Brice Willson and Gary Robinett of The Swabbies entertained the crowd at Hole-In-One Entertainment in Maryville Saturday evening. The group, who specializes in ska and punk music, brings a unique twist to their concerts by dressing up as pirates and performing humorous skits.

### NEWS IN BRIEF

#### Registration to open for co-ed volleyball teams

The Maryville Parks and Recreation Department will be accepting registration for the co-ed volleyball program. Registration will be conducted Feb. 18 through March 1 at

the Park and Recreation office in the upper level of City Hall. Team fees and a minimum of four player fees with signed contracts are required at the time of registration.

Due to the availability of gym space, the number of teams in the league are limited to the top eight. Those with questions are encouraged to call the Parks and Recreation Department at 562-2923.

## Restaurants bring new flavor to community

By DEVIN RANKIN  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Dining out is a regular occurrence for many, and sometimes the choices in Maryville may seem limited. For those that may need some change in dining options, Maryville will be adding some new restaurants to its list of dining variety.

Aloha Café, located on Main Street, has once again opened its door for business Feb. 3. After taking a break for some remodeling, the restaurant has come back to satisfy customers, said manager Chek Hao Tan.

"The big guy is back, and I guarantee the customer will not be disappointed," said Hao Tan. "If anyone is not satisfied, they won't pay."

The Aloha Café will still feature its drive thru window, but they do not have a delivery service as of yet.

Chinese food seems to be in high demand, and with that in mind, there will be another Chinese restaurant opening in March. The new restaurant, whose name is yet to be released, will offer mostly combination platters instead of a full menu.

The location of the new restaurant, on the 500 block of Main

Street, will be close to campus in hopes of gaining the interest and appetites of college students, said manager Shuwen Ye.

"We are excited to have the opportunity to attract college students to our new establishment," Ye said.

For those who crave some sweets after a good meal, Baskin Robbins will be opening Tuesday. Also featured in Baskin Robbins will be the new Caffina Café. The café will be located next to Bearcat Express on Fourth Street.

Baskin Robbins will feature ice cream and cakes to eat in the restaurant, and Caffina Café will feature brownies, cookies, danishes and assorted coffees.

Anita Espey purchased the franchise from Baskin Robbins and is excited to share it with the community.

"I am very proud and privileged to have the opportunity and support of the community to put in Baskin Robbins and Caffina Café," said Espey. "It will be a delightful experience and a happy one."

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## Support for Israel should stop



JED MURR  
MISSOURIAN COLUMNIST

In his recent meeting with President George W. Bush, Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon asserted, "one cannot compromise with terror." If Sharon believes his own assertion, he's going to have a difficult time dealing with himself. Sharon has repeatedly answered acts of terror with larger and more deadly acts.

As *The Washington Post* put it last week, Sharon has presided over the "bloodiest" period in a generation of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. *The Post* reported that a majority of Israelis now believe what has been obvious to honest observers for months: Sharon has no intentions of ending the violence.

The Sept. 11 nightmare, and the war on terrorism, has given Sharon free reign to excuse extreme and indiscriminate force as simple counter-terrorism. He has lived up to his nickname, "The Bulldozer," by responding to suicide bombers by rocketing Palestinians from F-16s and attack helicopters, and by razing Palestinian offices, homes and refugee camps with tanks and bulldozers.

The United States, of course, is an unabashed supporter of Israel and Is-

rael depends on their support for survival. Now, the countries of the European Union are questioning the United States' unwillingness to push a peace agreement in the region.

After his meeting with Sharon, Bush merely reiterated that Yasser Arafat must control terrorists, but made it clear that the White House is not going to submit to Sharon's call to boycott Arafat completely. Translation: Israel's actions will mostly continue to be justified as necessary responses to state-sponsored terrorism and Arafat will continue to be viewed as the source of the violence.

The focus on Arafat is misplaced and useless. He will continue to denounce terrorist attacks against Israel (as he did last week), he may not actually do anything serious to combat terrorism and he will continue to be blamed for the failure of the peace process. Sharon, it appears, will continue to fuel the cycle of violence and perhaps escalate it.

As violence continues, some Israeli leaders are talking about the "transfer" of Palestinians (for example, forced expulsion) and Israeli military leaders are

calling for freedom to use greater force, the need for definitive action toward peace is imperative. If there is ever going to be peace in Israel, and if there is ever going to be the autonomous Palestinian state that Bush and Sharon both claim to envision, then the United States must push the process. Peace will not be achieved by simply sending new representatives for visits and photo ops, and it will not be achieved by justifying more violence and destruction.

The United States must make it clear to Israel that we will not continue to support brutal policies. We must push Israel to end its military occupation and to establish conditions that will make the end of the violence possible.

The need for action was expressed last week by Israeli soldiers. Having been ordered to commit crimes like shooting at children throwing stones, they signed a petition declaring, "The price of occupation [of Palestinian territories] is the army's loss of its human image and the corruption of all Israeli society."

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MY VIEW

## University should not issue students cellular phones



DANNY BURNS  
ONLINE MANAGING EDITOR

What could quite possibly become one of the University's worst decisions, focus groups are looking into replacing all residential hall phones with cell phones, leaving some to ask why the whole situation smells as bad as rotten fish in the back of Long John Silvers.

As *The Missourian* reported last week, the plan would be to issue students living inside the residential halls a cell phone. Phone service through traditional landlines would not be available. Although University officials have said things are in the early stages, many should question the proposal.

What real benefits does this plan have for students? Besides mobility, there are few.

Lost phones and accessories, stolen phones, limited calling plans and time-based contracts are all issues that need to be addressed. One of the main selling points the University is using is the idea that students would be better off negotiating a cell phone plan through the University than on their own. This

idea is simply false for most students. Students that already have cell phones probably have numbers originating from their hometown. Family and friends can call these students without any long distance charges. Under the University's plan, students would be issued numbers based in the northwest Missouri area. For people that don't live in northwest Missouri year-round, the calling plans don't make sense.

The phones on campus work and work well. There haven't been any published service outages or reported problems with our current phone system. Why does every student need a cell phone all of a sudden? If one was to examine the sheer amount of money that a cell phone company could make with the proposal, it's mind numbing.

Thousands of phones, accessories, bulk contracts, local and long distance minutes, customer support and service makes the University's contract a golden egg any cell phone company would love to snag. Plus, the phones would have to

be replaced every year or so, making the company more money.

The University will eventually put a bid out for the proposal. The idea behind a bid is that we get the most for our money. But when Sprint representatives are part of the focus groups, speculation says Sprint already has their foot in the door for the contract. Bringing in a variety of cell phone companies or hiring a private consultant would make the bid proposal more accurate and cast away any fears that a certain company has advantages over another.

We don't need to change telecommunications in residence halls. The University has failed to provide a list of solid benefits to justify the change. Call or e-mail vice president of information systems Jon Rickman and voice your opinion. He can be reached at [RICKMAN@mail.nwmissouri.edu](mailto:RICKMAN@mail.nwmissouri.edu) or 562-1134. Otherwise, be prepared to reap the consequences.

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LETTER TO EDITOR

### Northwest alumnus disagrees with Stroller article, supports coaches

Let me say that I have enjoyed many Stroller articles lately, but was disappointed to read the column Feb. 8.

First of all, I will agree that our teachers are very poorly paid. Many of us in the secondary level take extra jobs such as coaching to help make ends meet. Some even seek part-time employment. To lay the blame on sports and the college athlete is a stretch.

I am sure coaches are well paid at Northwest and they should be. They have been successful teaching players to be productive individuals both on and off the field. The stadium construction that is about to take place is not state-funded or student-funded. Those alumni who want Northwest's student athletes to have facilities that are suitable to all involved will fund it. If you think any of us have not contributed to academia in the past, think again.

I have noticed in the recent past, numerous construction projects on campus: Colden Hall, Garrett Strong, South Complex and the Student Union to name a few. These projects were needed and we are very proud that the University was able to push these projects through.

Yes, your column reaches beyond the boundaries of the Northwest campus. I am a teacher and a coach. To hear someone say that extracurricular activities sometimes have to be sacrificed scares the heck out of me. Those activities are how we get students to practice life's lessons. That is something most people do not realize. I once had a superintendent tell me if I had only one person that wanted to wrestle, by gosh, he was going to get that opportunity. Education is about giving a child that opportunity; giving all children an opportunity.

Your last statement in your column was far off base. Champions are people that accomplish great feats. That feat could be the cure for cancer or winning the Super Bowl. Yes, that is what attracts people to a college campus and makes a department look good.

So, if paying more means better quality, then let's all work together to bring that pay scale up to where it should be. You never improve anything by tearing down one part of your operation to build up another. It's time for our elected officials to recognize that more funds are needed for those who want to improve higher education.

So, as a teacher, I say quit worrying about what the coaches make. Work to bring the great educators out there up to the same level.

JOHN SMITH  
NORTHWEST CLASS OF 1973

OUR VIEW

## Over airwaves

University radio station achieves license goal after years of trying, Missourian proud supporter

For about two years, KDLX staff and advisers have been trying to get a low-power license from the Federal Communications Commission to broadcast on the air. Finally, after setbacks such as the 2000 elections and the attacks on America, the cable access radio station will soon be heard over the airwaves on 106.7 FM.

Basically, the licensing received allows KDLX to broadcast on the air as a public radio station. A license such as that is intended to benefit the greater public by requiring the station to have regular news broadcasts and sponsor more community-based events.

The new licensing also provides learning opportunities to broadcast and mass communication majors because the student-run station will have to abide by FCC rules and regulations. The station will keep the same Top 40 music format, play music 24 hours a day and compete with that dinky, less-than-satisfactory station we call K-Jo.

This means a chance for Northwest and Maryville to support a local, learning establishment that is beneficial.

Students and faculty should attend promotional events sponsored by KDLX and do crazy things for a free T-shirt. Listen in the car, in the residence halls, while getting ready for class or to go out at night - any time. Call in with requests if you do not like what you hear. Who knows? Maybe one of your friends is a deejay.

Merchants need to play KDLX in their stores, invite them over for promotional activities and sponsor an hour or two of music. You'll get your advertising in and Maryville will get decent music.

The University can help by playing the station in various locations around campus. Let's hear it in the Union at Java City, the bookstore and in Bobby's Café. The more places people hear the new station, the more familiar with it everyone will become.

Maryville needs a modern music station of its own. The bidding process ought to be pushed through quickly so Northwest and Maryville can have KDLX on the radio.

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YOUR VIEW

### Would you support ending Wellness courses?



Lance Lewis  
Campus dining



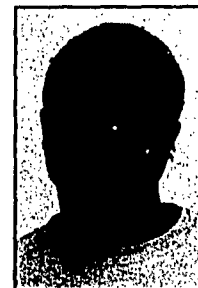
Tracy Swearingin  
Marketing major

"As a former student, I think that it was a waste of time and money. The only benefit was learning about health issues not covered in high school health."

"I don't think they should take it away because it's a good learning experience, especially for freshmen. And I'm going to take it next year, if they still offer it."



Stephen Wilhite  
Maryville resident



J.J. Mulwanda  
Business economics major

"I think it's wise to keep it because it educates students. College students are usually unhealthy, so they should take it."

"I don't think it's a good idea because it teaches you healthy issues. If you take it away, nobody cares about exercise and health."

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## THURSDAY

- Valentine's Day
- Computer Science Olympiad, Conference Center
- Master Gardener class begins, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Nodaway County Extension Center
- Taking Control: Estate Planning for Everyone, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., Nodaway County Extension Center

## MONDAY

- President's Day
- Intramural Table Tennis entries close, noon
- Intramural Bowling entries close, noon
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes, 7 p.m., Wesley Center
- Eating Disorders Self-Help/Support Group meeting, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m., Colden Hall 2630

## FRIDAY

- Second installment due
- Soybean Growers meeting, 9:30 a.m., Younger Auction Gallery
- Two-Day Cattlemen's College, Bethany
- Family Movie Night, 7 p.m., Church of Nazarene

## TUESDAY

- Pest Management training, 9 a.m., Farm Credit, St. Joseph
- Legislative Trip to Jefferson City

## SATURDAY

- Presidential Scholars Day
- MENC Junior High Solo and Small Ensemble Festival
- Two-Day Cattlemen's College, Bethany

## WEDNESDAY

- "Facing the Challenge: The Future of Beef Industry," 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Velma Houts Fair Building, Rockport
- Pre-law Society meeting, 4 p.m., Colden Hall 3950

## SUNDAY

- Wind Symphony/Symphonic Band Concert, 3 p.m., Mary Linn Auditorium
- Open gym (students fifth grade and above), 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., High School gym

## THURSDAY

- Board of Regents meeting, 1 p.m., Union Ballroom
- Taking Control: Estate Planning for Everyone, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., Nodaway County Extension Center
- Alcoholics Anonymous meeting, noon and 8 p.m., Wesley Center
- "Improv a la Mode," 7:30 p.m., Charles Johnson Theatre
- Campus Crusade for Christ, 9 p.m., Colden Hall 3500

## Wedding march



PHOTO BY LAURA SECK/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER  
Sigma Society offers a Bridal Show every year to help those preparing for their wedding. This year Megan Snell, along with three Vandeven children and an escort, show off the 2002 wedding styles. The Bridal Show also provides upcoming brides an opportunity to register with several businesses.

## PUBLIC SAFETY

Feb. 6  
■ Catherine Runde, 23, Grant City, was stopped on North Main waiting to turn onto East Sixth. Travis Turner, 19, Maryville, was traveling south on North Main. Turner struck Runde's vehicle.

Feb. 7  
■ Phillip C. Vogler, 32, Rock Port, and James A. Hardee, 22, Maryville, were traveling south on Highway 71. Hardee slowed to make a right turn. Vogler struck Hardee's vehicle. Hardee was issued a summons for equipment violation.

Feb. 8  
■ An officer received a report from a Maryville female that she was receiving harassing phone calls at her residence in the 300 block of North Market.

■ While on patrol in the 500 block of North Main, an officer observed a male individual urinating in public. Jon Sanchez, 20, Maryville, was issued summonses for false information to an officer and indecent exposure.

■ Joyce Cervantes, Maryville, was parked on South Laura. Hilen R. Jasper, 68, Ravenwood, was traveling south on South Laura when it struck Cervantes' vehicle.

Feb. 9  
■ While on patrol on East First, an officer observed a vehicle make a wide turn and then enter the oncoming lane of traffic. The vehicle was stopped in the 100 block of South Mattie. While speaking with the driver an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was asked to per-

form some field sobriety tests, which he could not successfully complete. He was transported to Public Safety to conduct a blood alcohol content test. He was released after his blood alcohol content tested below the legal limit. Carly Albright, 20, Maryville, was issued summons for minor in possession and open container in a vehicle.

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville female that someone had entered her residence in the 400 block of West Fourth, taking a laptop computer and other items.

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville male that his vehicle had been taken from the 500 block of North Buchanan. The vehicle was recovered in the 500 block of West Eighth.

■ Officers received a report of two individuals taking realty signs in the 700 block of North Walnut. Matthew L. Payne, 20, Maryville, and Matthew C. Beu, 20, Maryville, were issued summonses for disorderly conduct.

■ An officer towed a vehicle from the 400 block of West Jenkins that was in violation of the 72-hour notice. Walker's Body Shop towed the vehicle. The officer towed another vehicle in the 200 block of North Mulberry that was obstructing traffic. Boyles Motors towed that vehicle.

■ An officer responded to a disturbance in the 500 block of East Seventh.

■ While on patrol in the 100 block of South Walnut, an officer observed

a male individual carrying what appeared to be a 12 pack of beer. When he noticed the officer, he placed the box on the ground and continued on. Donald E. Saisbury, 19, Maryville, was issued a summons for minor in possession.

■ While on patrol in the 400 block of North Market, an officer observed a male individual who appeared under the age of 21 carrying what appeared to be a beer bottle. Courtney W. Martin, 19, St. Joseph, was issued a summons for minor in possession.

Feb. 10  
■ An officer received a report from a Maryville male that his vehicle had been taken from the 600 block of North Mulberry. The vehicle was located in the 500 block of West Ninth. Brandon W. Romines, 20, Maryville, was issued summonses for disorderly conduct and false information to an officer. Blayne E. Gilbert, 20, Maryville, was issued a summons for disorderly conduct.

■ While on patrol at the intersection of Third and Davis, an officer observed a vehicle traveling without lighted headlights. The vehicle was stopped in the 300 block of North Mattie. The driver of the vehicle was identified as Stanley C. Dunkle, 24, Maryville. While speaking with him on odor of intoxicants was detected. He was asked to perform some field sobriety tests, which he could not successfully complete. He was arrested for driving while intoxicated after his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a summons for equipment violation.

■ Lorilyn L. Schultes, Maryville, was parked in a private drive. Trent A. Jones, 20, Maryville, was backing from a parking spot and struck Schultes' vehicle.

Feb. 12  
■ An officer received a report from a business in the 1100 block of South Main that a male individual had driven off without paying for gas.

■ Vaneta M. Bullock, 64, Mound City, was stopped at a posted stop sign at Fifth and Main. Richard D. Horn, 47, Maryville, was traveling north in the 400 block of North Main. Bullock entered the intersection, striking Horn's vehicle.

■ Anthony Ferry, 16, Maryville, and Bryan J. Espey, 16, Maryville, were backing from parking spaces in a private parking lot in the 1500 block of South Munn. Ferry struck Espey's vehicle.

## BIRTHS

## Spencer Roy Jensen

Thad and Brooke Jensen, Hopkins, are the parents of Spencer Roy, born Feb. 5 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 3 pounds, 12 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are David and Linda Linebaugh, Hopkins. Paternal grandparents are Sue and Danny Hickey, Lake Jackson, Texas, and Wayne Jensen, Maryville.

Maternal great-grandparents are Bert and Fonda Shipley, Shenandoah, Iowa, and Bill and Jean Linebaugh, Pickering. Paternal great-grandparents are Roy and Mary Jensen, Maryville, and Jack and Irma Collins, Maryville. Mater-

nal great-great-grandmother is Opal Hilton, Maryville.

## Kaia Ruth Teale

Adam and Anna Teale, Maryville, are the parents of Kaia Ruth, born Feb. 10 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces. Maternal grandparents are Dallas and Connie Elder, Wilmore, Ky. Paternal grandparents are John and Kris Teale, Maryville.

Maternal great-grandparents are Shirley Simmons, Georgia Elder and Ethal Wheeler, all from St. Joseph. Paternal great-grandparents are Hugh and Merna Teale, Panora, Iowa, and Norman and Ruth Ketelsen, Linden, Iowa.

## DEATHS

## Alfred Meyer

Alfred Meyer, 88, Stanberry, died Feb. 6 at Gentry County Memorial Hospital in Albany.

He was born May 22, 1913, to Albert Meyer and Mary Lagger in Clyde.

He is survived by his wife Mary Ann; three sons, Ken, Steve and Al; three daughters, Betty McQuinn, Karen Walter and Sherry Wilmes; 17 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; one sister, Pauline Derks; four brothers, Leo, Fred, Vincent and Norbert, and many nieces and nephews.

Services were Feb. 9 at St. Columba Catholic Church in Conception Junction. Burial was at St. Columba Cemetery in Conception Junction.

## Earl Shippis

Earl Shippis, 96, Maryville, died Feb. 8 at Village Care Center in

## Maryville.

He was born May 3, 1905, to Joseph and Ruby Shippis in Franklin County, Kan.

He is survived by two sons; Dayle and Garland; two daughters, Gayle Lamb and Joann Peter; 10 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; one great-great-granddaughter; one brother, John; two sisters, Margaret Fleming and Vera Montague; cousins; nieces and nephews, and many friends.

Services were Feb. 11 at Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville. Burial was at Prairie Home Cemetery in Graham.

## Jessie D. Foster

Jessie D. Foster, 90, Maryville, died Feb. 8 at his home in Maryville.

He was born Aug. 17, 1911, in Anderson, Iowa.

He is survived by two sons, Lowell and Gary; three daughters, Bonnie Roderick, Karen Lawson, and Patsy Shelton; nine grand children, 17 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

Graveside services and burial were held Feb. 12 at the Farragut Cemetery in Farragut, Iowa.

## Ruby Marie Watson

Ruby Marie Watson, 100, Barnard, died Feb. 13 at Parkdale Manor Nursing Home in Maryville.

She was born Jan. 2, 1902, to Joseph and Ida Dew in Clearmont.

She is survived by one son, James; two daughters, Mary Appleby and Shirley Gerhardt; 11 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

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# Cheating or competing?

## Northwest meal plan offers students control, selection

By MONICA CALDWELL  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Most students know prices on campus have gone up this year. Lucky Charms are \$5.80 at the Cellar, and lunch at Mark Pi's costs as much as two McDonald's Extra Value Meals. But perhaps behind expensive breakfast foods and imitation luxury cuisine are the best prices for the frugal college student.

In the 20 years Aramark has provided Northwest's campus dining, inflation, demand and student life has kept it constantly on its toes with modification and upkeep.

Around the time the Union was remodeled, Aramark switched from the traditional meal plan, 12 to 18 meals a week, to what is in place now, a lump sum to which students have unlimited access.

About 13 years ago, Valadine started its first stages, a new idea that has since progressed into the Aladine service, including three meal plans with increments of either \$890, \$990, or most recently, \$1,090 per trimester.

Complaints have been running rampant about the price hike, but in reality, this is the first time the Union has raised prices since remodeling began four years ago. The super Aladine plan was put into

Beacom, director of campus dining. "A grocery store works on about a 1.5 percent increase, and a c-store works on about a 7 percent. Places like Hy-Vee and Wal-Mart are selling things at less than we can buy them, so it's kind of difficult to match the price."

According to Beacom, half a dozen corporations were invited to bid on Northwest as a client five years ago when the last Aramark contract was up, but every one of them declined, saying that they could not provide the same service and quality at the same price Northwest was already receiving.

In the past, Northwest has incorporated chain restaurants into the food court menu. Dunkin' Donuts lasted for five years, ending because of a change in higher management which made it impossible to keep it here.

"It said that non-traditional locations such as what we have here had to bring in a minimum of \$200,000 in sales, and we were only doing \$70-\$75,000 a year," Beacom said.

In addition to donuts, Taco Bell was integrated for three years until an upgraded facility was requested at a charge of \$50,000 at the school's expense.

Apart from those ventures, a pizza delivery service was attempted in the Conference Center, but turned out to

be a disaster with inefficient operational conditions. Northwest turned to local branches of Pagliai's, Pizza Hut and Dominoes to incorporate the Aladine plan into their delivery service.

Although, Pagliai's declined, Pizza Hut and Dominoes have been keeping up

campus delivery for the past three years. Mr. Goodcents has also approached campus dining for a space in the booming delivery business.

"They probably won't get in on it only because pizza was a service that we had and could no longer provide for the students," Beacom said. "We serve subs here and never have delivered."

Aside from Pizza Hut and Domi-

noes, Freshens and Java City present even more variety to students. The menu at Java City runs on a cycle with two panini grilled sandwiches and one wrap per day, lunch items not available on the lower level of the Union. The brand new Eurobaguettes, made with a special Armenian bread produced only in California, might be moved from the food court to Java City as well.

Both Freshens and Java City make their own decisions regarding what menu items to keep based on national sales, although both allow local play, where a product can stay as long as the ingredients do not disappear.

"We make suggestions," Beacom said. "If there's things kids are asking for, we'll make suggestions back to Java City to get them to add stuff on the menu, try some things."

The difference between the Java City and Freshens franchises as opposed to national chains such as McDonalds or Burger King is that in this case, they make money off of selling the product. Sometimes in the case of more widespread food chains, an up-front payment of \$50,000 is re-

quired, upping expenses further.

And, to quiet protests about lack of variety and the same mundane food choices every day, the University has paid close attention to what students want. Requests for breakfast foods at lunch and the lack of interest in a lunchtime all-you-can-eat buffet led to Grille Works being transferred to Bobby's Café during the week.

"We were averaging about 75 people during lunchtime," Beacom said about the buffet. "It wasn't cost effective."

Also this year was the opening of the vegetarian station at Center Stage and morning meals at Fast Breaks, although neither have received the response expected.

Change in the midst of consistency is what Aramark has had to work with for so long, with a barrage of complaints from cost-conscious students and picky eaters.

But for the past two decades, service and value have been the primary concerns, even if price increases have attempted to prove otherwise.

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## State's universities vary in meal plans

By ANN HARMAN  
FEATURES EDITOR

Most people have heard the hype that Aramark rips off students by charging too much and not giving enough variety.

But before making assumptions based on what other people say and only knowing about Northwest's campus dining, students should know what other schools offer and make the decision for themselves.

Aramark's prices might seem a little steep for what they offer and, at times, the options may lack variety. However, the unique thing about Northwest's campus dining is that the students control their money, what they eat and when they eat it.

Most other universities and colleges are on meal plans that include variety, yes, cheapness, yes, but only a certain number of meals during the week and almost no control.

Southwest Missouri State University, for example, offers 10, 14, 19 or unlimited meals per week options. Each meal is all-you-care-to-eat buffet style, includes beverages and is no more than \$5.

The down side, however, is that is all students get. There is no provision in the plan for a student to get a quick candy bar and a beverage or a light meal for a lower cost than a regular meal. That expense would have to be paid in cash.

Truman State University offers about the same deal, except its meal plans account for the little snacks in between meals with Extra Bucks. These can be used at certain locations around campus for meals or

snacks and do not require students to pay out of their pockets.

In addition, campus dining offers services such as meal transfer so meals are not lost if one is missed, sack lunch arrangements when classes conflict with meal times and sick trays if a student is unable to get meals because of injury or illness.

Unfortunately, with Extra Bucks come fewer meals per week. A 20-meal plan gets no Extra Bucks, the 15-meal plan comes with 40 Extra Bucks and the 10-meal plan comes with 80. Most dining halls are only open until 7 p.m. and close at certain times of the day in between meals.

Central Missouri State University seems to be the most promising by bringing together the worlds of on- and off-campus living. Their union houses such restaurants as Burger King, Pizza Hut, Taco Bell and TCBY and students can make purchases at these locations using their meal cards.

The meal plans range from small dollar amounts for quick snacks to unlimited access for any kind of dining.

Northwest's campus dining provider, Aramark, is more expensive in dollar value than other universities' providers, but it does offer choice and control. Northwest students choose how their money is spent and control their options for their dining needs.

Information regarding meal plans was found on each university's homepage.

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## Northwest men's basketball

# Ninth-ranked Bearcats lose to Lions

By JUSTIN BUSH  
SPORTS EDITOR

The Northwest men's basketball team suffered their second loss of the season Saturday against the Missouri Southern Lions.

In the first four minutes of play the Lions jumped out to a quick five-point lead.

Two free throws by junior Floyd Jones brought the 'Cats to within one.

Then, with 9:28 left in the first half, the Lions pounced on the 'Cats by going on a 15-2 run. Southern went into the half with a 46-32 lead.

In the second half the Lions came out and extended their lead to 20. The 'Cats fought back with an 18-0 run to cut the Lions lead to two.

That was as close as the 'Cats would get.

The Lions refused to lay down

and die.

They fought back on their way to a 94-77 victory.



The 'Cats had a difficult time controlling the ball, turning it over 23 times.

"Against Southern we just turned the ball over way too much to win the game," said men's head coach Steve Tappmeyer.

Even though the 'Cats suffered their second loss of the week, Tappmeyer remained positive about the team's effort.

"We had five games in a short period of time," Tappmeyer said. "A game like that would have made it easy for there to not be much fight in our guys. They battled back though and got in the game."

The contest proved to be a bit of a personal success for sophomore Kelvin Parker. Parker set an MIAA record when he hit his 35th consecutive free throw. The streak

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Mo. Southern	94	
Bearcats lose second game		

spanned over the last eight games.

The 'Cats, having five opponents in a two-week span, did not have much time for a practice routine.

"It's nice to get back into a routine, the physical part is tough enough, we traveled a lot during the five-game stretch," Tappmeyer said. "The emotional part is hard. The only way that we are good is if we play with all out intensity and effort."

The 'Cats will spend most of the

remainder of the season playing at home with three of the four remaining games on the 'Cats' home court.

"I am hoping that will be a huge advantage," Tappmeyer said. "If we can have crowds like we had at the Missouri Western game, that will give us a bit of a lift. We are a little bit road weary right now. We are happy to be home and if you are going to start making any noise, we are going to have to do it now."

The team rebounded from its only loss of the season with a 79-50 pounding of Truman State at Truman State.

The 'Cats outscored the Bulldogs 37-21 in the first half en route to their 20th win of the season.

Northwest opened up the game on a 16-9 run over the first six plus minutes.

Kelvin Parker and Scott Fleming both knocked down three-pointers

early. The 'Cats played steady throughout the first half and were able to close out the half on a 12-5 run.

Northwest drained three three-pointers over the final 3:30 to take a 37-21 lead into the break.

Northwest continued to play strong not letting the Bulldogs get within 17 points in the second half.


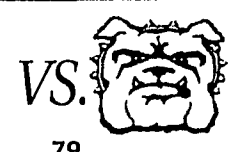
The 'Cats opened up a 21-5 run which spanned seven minutes in the second half to increase their lead to 34.

The run was capped by a pair of Archie Jeter free throws.

The 'Cats maintained their lead over the final seven minutes of the game, cruising to the 29-point victory.

Ten of the 12 Bearcats who saw action scored in the win.

The Bulldogs were led by Matt Beran with 13 points while Mark

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Truman State	50	
Bearcats get back on track		

Huppe added nine. Beran added 10 rebounds to pick up the double-double. Northwest was led for the second straight game by Rowan with 18 points and 11 rebounds.

The double-double for Rowan is his fourth of the season.

Results of Wednesday night's game against Washburn were not available at press time, but can be read at [www.missourianonline.com](http://www.missourianonline.com) after the game.

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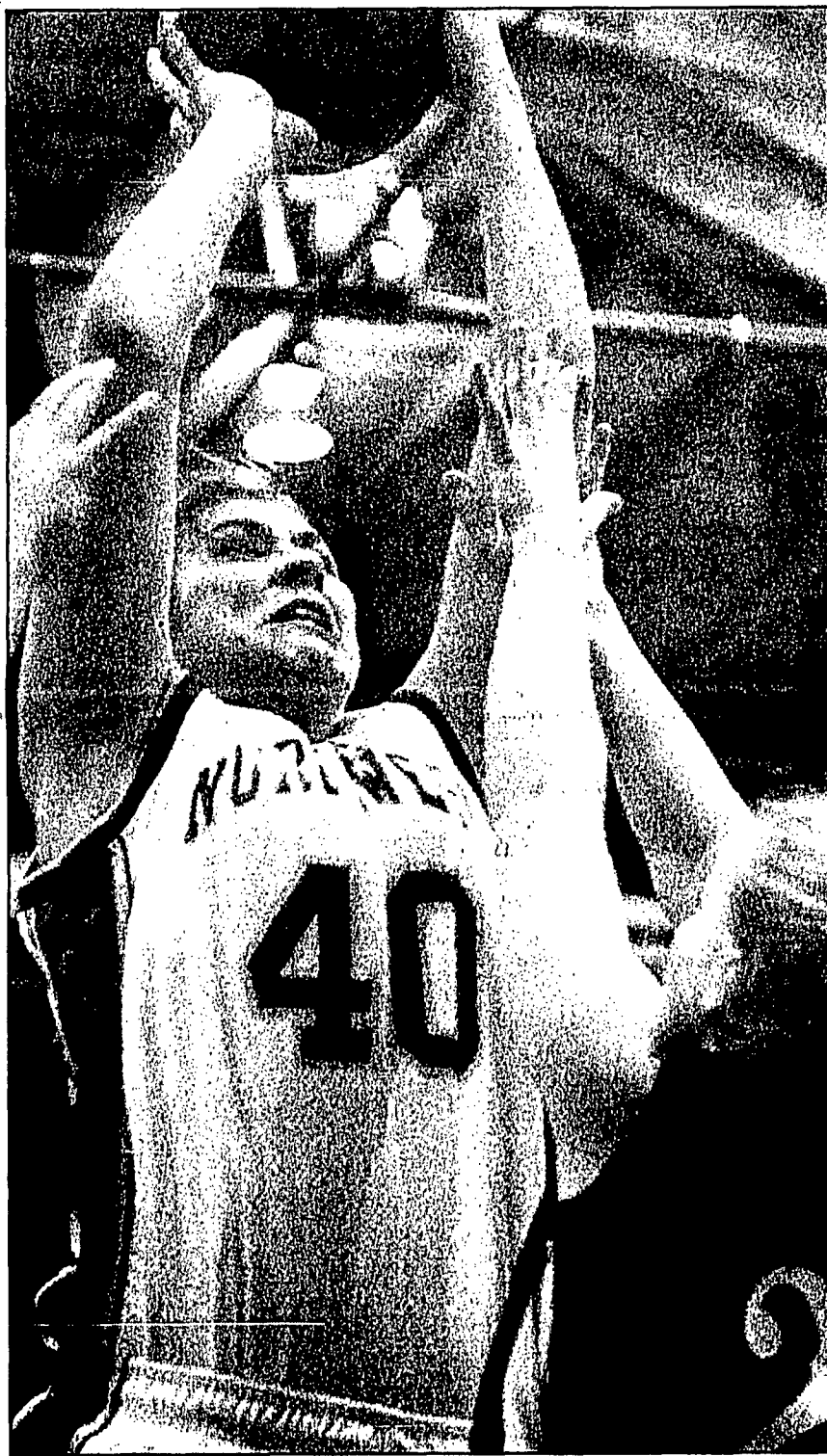


PHOTO BY BILL KNUST/ASSIGNMENT EDITOR  
Northwest junior center Sarah Vollertsen takes up a shot against Washburn University Wednesday. The 'Cats lost to the Lady Blues 72-49. Vollertsen finished the game with 13 points and 13 rebounds.

## A change of pace

*Sarah Vollertsen trades in knee pads for a pair of high tops as Northwest's high-scoring center*

By JUSTIN BUSH  
SPORTS EDITOR

She has changed schools and traded in her volleyball for a basketball. Junior Sarah Vollertsen has proved to be a valuable asset to the Northwest women's basketball team.

Vollertsen started her college career playing volleyball at the University of South Dakota.

During her sophomore year she earned All-North Central Conference Honorable Mention. She also set the USD single season record in blocks and kills.

After a couple of years though, Vollertsen was ready for a change.

"I had a couple of friends that went here and like it and it is closer to home," Vollertsen said.

Vollertsen played both sports in high school and wanted to keep open the possibility of playing them both at the college level.

"When I left South Dakota I left my options open and basketball was more of an option here at Northwest," Vollertsen said.

The support that the community of Maryville gives to the University was a big deciding factor in Vollertsen's decision to come to Northwest.

"I had come down and stayed with friends here a couple of times and everyone was really nice and the community really supports the sports programs here," she said. "That is something that we didn't have at South Dakota."

For women's head coach Gene Steinmeyer, getting Vollertsen to come to Northwest was like regaining a missed opportunity.

"I recruited her out of high school when I was at Doane College," Steinmeyer said. "Her high school coach is a good friend of mine. He called me up and told me that Sarah was going to leave South Dakota. So I got in contact with her and got her to come down for a visit."

After a two-year layoff any question on whether Vollertsen would be able to compete at the college level has since

been answered.

Vollertsen is currently the 'Cats second leading scorer. Saturday's game against Missouri Southern in which she scored 19 points marked her eighth straight game of double digit scoring.

Vollertsen is now averaging 10 points a game while leading the 'Cats with a .516 field goal shooting percentage.

"Sarah is the perfect prototype of a college women's player," Steinmeyer said. "She is 6'2" she is strong and she is very mobile. She is a good shooter, she is a good rebounder and she is getting better as a defender and every game she plays she gets a little better."

With the season coming to a close Vollertsen has not had any second thoughts on whether she made the right decision to come to Northwest.

"I really love it here and I look forward to graduating," she said.



SARAH VOLLERTSEN  
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### SARAH VOLLERTSEN

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**Position:** center  
**Major:** public relations  
**Characterize this year's team:** fun, dedicated, cohesive  
**Would like to switch places for one day with:** my dad  
**Describe yourself in three words or less:** tall, happy  
**Describe Coach Steinmeyer in three words or less:** chatty, nice  
**Favorite movie:** "The Big Lebowski"  
**Dream job:** public relations for a sports team

## Maryville girl's basketball

# 'Hounds defeat Cameron, prepare for Savannah

By ASHLEE ERWIN  
CONTRIBUTING REPORTER

Flowers and candy are the last things the Maryville girls' basketball players want for Valentine's Day.

What they really want is Savannah.

The 'Hounds will play host to the Savages Thursday, the seniors' last home game and final conference matchup. There will be no sentimentality, however, as the girls look to avenge a Jan. 25 non-conference loss to their archrival.

"They're always focused for Savannah, so I know that will be a positive," head coach Randall Cook said.

Holding down Savannah's offense to possibly steal a win will take more than just intensity for the 'Hounds.

"For Savannah, we just need to make sure we're solid on the defensive effort end," Cook said. "We're going to work on being in a defensive stance and moving with the ball every single pass a little bit better."

Tip-off is 8 p.m. Thursday at Maryville High School.

The 'Hounds started the week off right Monday with a 45-24 blowout at Cameron. A 14-2 first quarter Maryville run set the tone for the game.

The rest of the game was smooth sailing for the 'Hounds as they notched the 45-24 win.

An early offensive start like in the Cameron game will be important for finishing the regular season and starting the district tournament, Cook said.

"Hopefully we can keep doing that because I know Savannah and Smithville are both good first-half teams," Cook said. "So we'll have to be ready to do that Thursday and Monday."

The 'Hounds start the district tournament Monday vs. Smithville, a team that beat Maryville Feb. 9 at home. Game time is 6:30 p.m. in Savannah.

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## Northwest women's basketball

# 'Cats struggle to stay alive

By JUSTIN BUSH  
SPORTS EDITOR

The Northwest women's basketball is fighting to keep their conference playoff hopes alive.

The 'Cats faced off at Bearcat Arena against Washburn University Wednesday night.

Northwest went into the half with the score tied at 30 apiece.

Washburn cruised to an easy victory outscoring the 'Cats 42-19 in the second half on their way to the 72-49 victory.

The 'Cats traveled to Joplin Saturday to take on Missouri Southern in hopes of winning their third straight game.

The Lions started the game by going on a 5-0 run. The 'Cats fought back and later took the lead on a three-point shot by sophomore Tanesha Fields.

The Lions' shooting proved to be too much for the 'Cats. Southern shot 64 percent from the field and 88 percent from behind the arch for the afternoon on their way to a 93-81 victory.

Time is running out. There are three games left in the regular season

and every game becomes more crucial for the 'Cats' hopes of making the MIAA tournament.

The 'Cats won two out of three games last week to give themselves a fighting chance.

"We are fighting for our lives to get into the tournament right now," Steinmeyer said. "We are ranked eighth right now with a one, or maybe two, game lead over Truman, so the win at Truman became as important or more important as the win over Western to get into the tournament."

Steinmeyer views the 'Cats' final home games as must wins in their hopes of making the conference tournament.

"We really need to win these games at home," Steinmeyer said. "We will get into the tournament anyway we can, but we would rather go someplace besides St. Joe for the first round."

The 'Cats will be in action again on Saturday at home against Southwest Baptist, tip-off is scheduled for 1:30 p.m.

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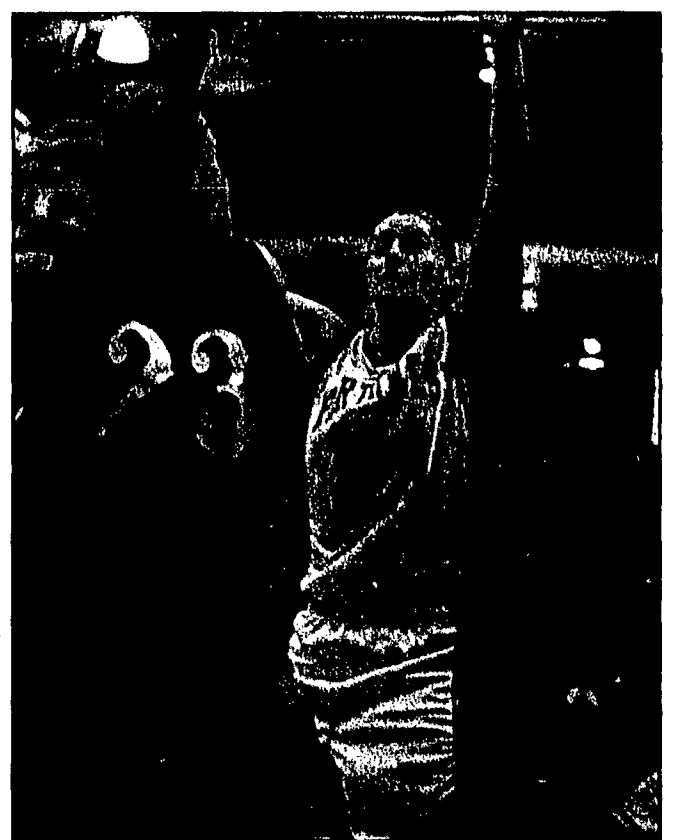


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Northwest sophomore Brooke Hogue guards Washburn player Gosia Czarnicka in their game Wednesday. The 'Cats lost at home, 72-49.

## Northwest indoor track &amp; field

# Mule Relays ready 'Cats for MIAA conference meet

By CHRISTOPHER THOMAS  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

With less than two weeks until the infamous conference meet, the Northwest men and women track teams consistently performed well at the Mule Relays in Warrensburg last weekend.

Northwest competed in their toughest competition of the indoor season, where more than 30 schools attended the two-day meet.

This being the first two-day meet of the indoor season, it gave some of the athletes a little more downtime than what they were used to.

"There was so much time in between events," women's coach Vicki Wootton said. "We had people sitting around for four, five, six hours before they had to run again."

Men's coach Richard Alsup looks at the two-day competition as a positive step toward pacing the athletes toward conference.

"I don't think it was a negative

thing," Alsup said. "We have to get used to it. That's the way the conference championship is set up."

The men brought back 13 top-10 finishes, including one first-place finish. The lone man placing first was Conrad Woolsey, for the third week in a row, in the shot put with a colossal heave of 57 feet, 7 1/2 inches.

The toss by Woolsey not only gave him his personal best, it also topped the school record.

Other top finishers were seniors Matt North who placed fifth in the shot put with a heave of 53-1 1/2, freshman Jamaica Rector in the long jump with a fourth-place leap of 22-3 1/4, sophomore Daniel McKim in the shot put and weight throw who tossed 52-0 in the shot for seventh place and 55-2 1/4 in the weight, and the men's 'A' in the 4x400 relay with a third-place finish and time of 7:58.61.

The women left Warrensburg

with 15 top-10 finishers.

Top performances were given by junior Jenny Simmons in the pole vault with a second-place flight of 10-11 3/4, sophomore Mary Wirt with a second-place heave in the weight throw of 48-4 3/4, junior Sarah Wolff in the shot put with a second-place toss of 42-0, and senior April House with a long jump of 17-11 3/4 and a fifth-place finish.

The 'Cats now head to their last competition before the conference championship meet which starts at 2 p.m. Friday at the Prairie Wolf Invitational in Lincoln, Neb.

"This will go a long ways in deciding who we're going to put in what events in the conference championship meet," Alsup said. "We have to get the individuals that we're taking kind of geared toward the conference meet."

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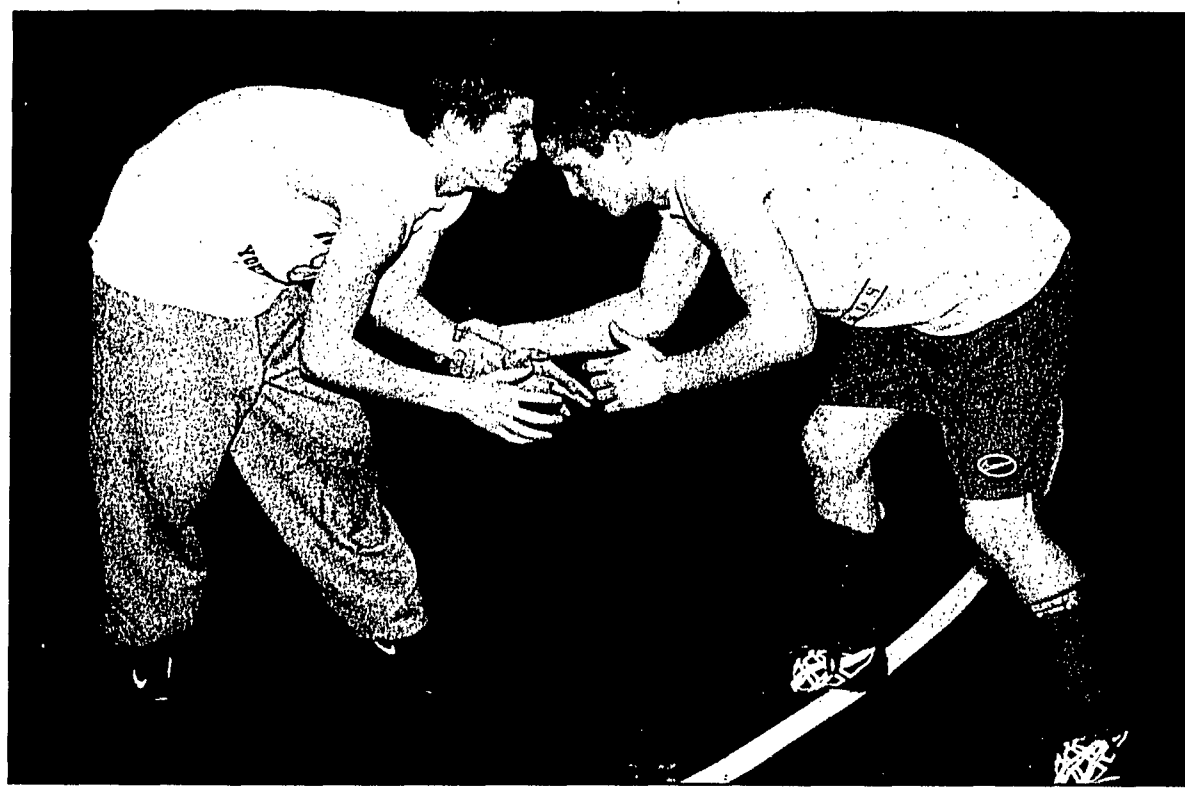


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Freshman Jacob Driskell and junior Derek Merrill grapple during practice Tuesday. Driskell finished in fourth place in the 103 lb. weight class at the sectional meet. Merrill advanced to the state tournament for the third year, winning his bracket.

## Wrestlers prepare for state

By MATT KENNEDY  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Junior Derek Merrill and freshman Justin Driskell will be skipping three days of school this week without worries of facing any repercussions.

During their absence, they plan to throw people down ruthlessly and make them hurt.

Are they delinquents? Perhaps. But more, they are athletes.

They both finished in the top four in their weight classes at the 1A-2A Sectional 4 Tournament Feb. 9, where the best wrestlers from 18 different schools compete for the chance to go to the state tournament in Columbia.

Merrill finished first in the 125 lb. weight class and Driskell finished fourth in the 103 lb. weight class to become the only two Maryville wrestlers to advance to the state tournament.

Merrill seemed unbeatable in sectional play, winning his first two matches to place him in the championship bout against Lathrop's Corey Childs. Like a child, Merrill spanked him, 16-6.

Showing great sportsmanship after the final match, Merrill re-

fused to gloat and instead commented on the strength of the schools involved in the tournament.

"All the matches were tough," Merrill said. "Everyone here is really competitive and it just depends on when you catch each wrestler."

Merrill had made it to the state tournament both of his previous seasons and he missed medaling last year by only one match.

"He's been there twice already, and his wrestling has improved over last year," head coach Joe Drake said. "I'm sure his expectations are higher this year, now we need to get him over the hump and to the next level."

The other Maryville wrestler continuing his post-season play is Driskell, one of six Maryville freshmen that participated in the sectional tournament.

Driskell won his first match in the tournament but lost his second, dropping him into the "losers" bracket and competing for, at best, third place.

Driskell kept fighting, however, making his way to the final match in his bracket before losing a tough match to Cyrus Dunlop of South

Holt. For his efforts, Driskell received fourth place and a ticket to Columbia.

While perhaps disappointed with only sending two wrestlers to state, Drake was pleased with Driskell's performance.

"He, along with the rest of the freshmen class, has really done a good job of stepping up, performing well, and learning what they need to know to succeed," he said. "He (Driskell) was in a weight class and a position where this paid off big dividends for him."

Driskell gave credit to the upperclassmen for helping him and other younger wrestlers this season.

"They've really helped us a lot, teaching us moves and making sure we do the right thing," Driskell said.

As far as going to state as a freshman, Driskell did not seem too nervous.

"I always thought there was a chance I could go to state, now I'll just go down there and take one match at a time," he said.

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## Maryville boys' basketball

## Hoopsters fall to Dragons, 58-48

By CHRISTOPHER THOMAS  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The Maryville boys' basketball team just could not get enough momentum in front of an enthusiastic crowd against the Cameron Dragons Tuesday night.

From the beginning of the game, the Dragons came out with a suffocating defense that sprung them to a 10-5 lead halfway through the first quarter. However, the 'Hounds bounced back and made it a 12-10 contest at the end of the first quarter. Then, junior Tim Blackwell began to take over for Cameron.

"He's a great player," said 'Hounds coach Mike Kunitzsky. "There's Division I coaches looking at him as a player."

With six minutes left to go in the second quarter, the 'Hounds took their first lead of the game before Blackwell went on to score 14 in the first half. This led the Dragons to a 32-22 lead at the half.

During the third quarter the 'Hounds began to mount a comeback led by senior Joey Wilmes and junior Dylan Hurst. However, they could only shorten the Dragon's lead to six. The 'Hounds were hurt by turnovers and an inability to keep up with Cameron on the boards.

With a game high of 27 points, Blackwell and the Cameron squad kept complete control in the fourth quarter. The 'Hounds were only able to cut into the lead by as much as nine as the Dragons held off the 'Hounds on their way to a 58-48 victory.

Wilmes finished with a team high of 19 for the 'Hounds and Hurst contributed a solid effort with 16.

"We played close to them," said Wilmes. "We know the mistakes that we made and we know what we have to work on."

Now with a record of 15-9 and

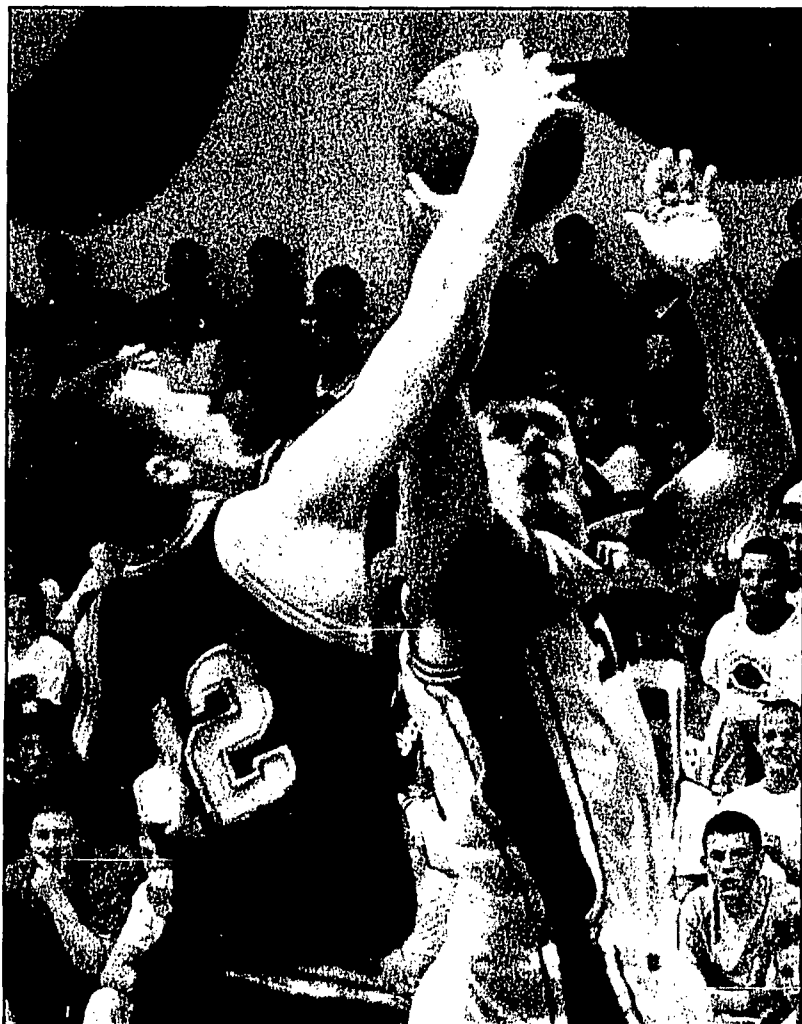


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Junior forward Dylan Hurst takes the ball to the hole against Cameron player Brandon Beck. Hurst had 16 points in the 'Hounds' defeat to the Dragons.

1-5 in the MEC, Kunitzsky said the 'Hounds can compete against top teams. Although, there are many areas the boys will have to improve on, he said.

"We've got to have the other people give us some scoring," said Kunitzsky. "Another thing is that we

cannot make mistakes at critical times. We had a few turnovers tonight and we missed a few shots that we should've made at critical moments. We have to play great to beat them, but we can. If we play better than we did tonight and get into districts, I think we will."

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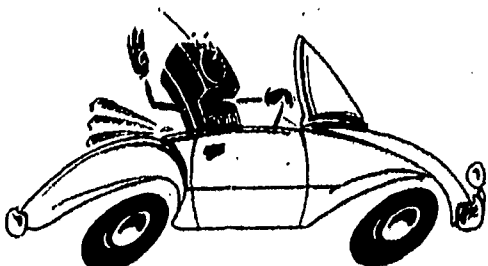
Kelvin Parker

Parker set an MIAA record on Saturday when he made his 35th free throw in a row. He also had a team-high 21 points.

Merrill was the only 'Hound wrestler to win his sectional weight class. By winning he advances to the state meet.



Derek Merrill





## ARMCHAIR QUARTERBACKS

How do you think the Bearcat baseball team will do this season?



"Judging by last year's season, I don't think they will do very well this season. They are still a few years away." **Jamie Hackley**  
Business



"With good pitching and a solid defense, I think they will finish with a winning record this season." **Andy Hampton**  
Education



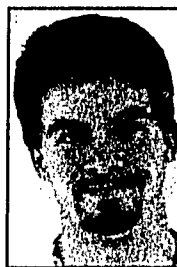
"The Bearcat baseball team has a strong pitching staff this season. We're excited to see them in action this year." **Tara Risetter**  
Undecided



"I know a lot of the team, and they're working hard. I wish them the best." **Jeremy Sellars**  
Computer science

## SPORTS TALK

### Good basketball games result in bad sports



**JUSTIN BUSH**  
SPORTS EDITOR

I have to admit that the Feb. 4 matchups against Missouri Western was one of the most exciting nights of basketball I have ever experienced.

As a journalist, I am not allowed to show emotion toward any one team while sitting in the press box or at the scorer's table. I found myself having to literally sit on my hands to keep myself from jumping up and applauding.

First, the lady 'Cats played a magnificent game. It was a completely different team than I had seen all year. They were aggressive and fought to the very end against the No. 2 team in the nation.

With six seconds left, sophomore Tanesha Fields drove the lane and scored what would be the winning basket.

When the girls won, they jumped and celebrated together on the court and then shook hands with their opponents.

They handled themselves with class. Everyone in the stands jumped out of their seats with excitement.

The men's game was a classic

battle between two archrivals that went down to the wire. In the end, the Griffs ruined the 'Cats' perfect record.

Then in one of the most disgusting displays of sportsmanship, the Missouri Western fans rushed our court practically knocking down Northwest players, while they jumped up and down on the Bearcat that is painted on center court yelling "overrated" and "our house, our house."

If I were an administrator at Missouri Western I would be completely embarrassed.

The win for our women's team was just as big if not a bigger win than the win for the Missouri Western men.

Even though the lady Griffs were ranked No. 2 in the nation, Northwest fans did not rush the court or chant "overrated," and you certainly did not hear the crowd cheer "our house," which it is.

I tried to think of how the Northwest crowd might have reacted if the situation had been reversed. If Missouri Western was the No. 3-

ranked team in the nation and we beat them on their court.

There is no doubt in my mind that the class and dignity of Bearcat fans would have been the exact same as it was after the women's victory.

I thought back two years when the football team went undefeated in the regular season before losing in the first round of the playoffs to North Dakota State.

Fans were upset, yes, but I also remember our fans saying, "Great game, good luck in the rest of the playoffs," to the North Dakota players as they walked off the field.

I am proud that I attend a university that has fans who handle themselves with class in both victory and defeat.

To the Missouri Western basketball teams, I would like to say you all played a great game. To their fans, I just want to remind you that the season is not over. You will most likely have to come back to our house when it comes time for the regional tournament, so you might not want to start the trash talking just yet.

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### Women's Big XII basketball

## Missouri guard snaps out of slump

By **BILL LAUTENSCHLAGER**  
THE MANEATER (U. MISSOURI)

(U-WIRE) COLUMBIA, Mo. - Maybe all Kerensa Barr needed was a bit more pressure.

Playing in front of a record home crowd against archrival Kansas (5-20, 0-12), the junior guard broke a recent slump with a career day. Barr, the team's leading scorer this season, displayed strong play with and without the ball while matching a career-high 24 points she posted against Arkansas-Pine Bluff.

"I felt like I had four bad games, and I played all right against Nebraska, and then I came back against Kansas State and didn't play well," said Barr, who also recorded five as-

sists to move to fifth all-time on the MU career chart. "Today I felt good out there. I played a better defensive game than I have been playing. I rebounded better than I have been. It's not just a scoring funk; I haven't been playing that well, but I played well today."

Kansas coach Marian Washington said she was impressed with Barr's performance. "She did a great job," Washington said. "(Natalie) Allen Fieldhouse, and we worked hard to limit her. I thought we did a nice job of limiting her, but we certainly didn't do the job on Barr. When you're in situation like this, when your go-to player isn't shooting well

Bright really stepped up in (Kansas) Allen Fieldhouse, and we worked hard to limit her. I thought we did a nice job of limiting her, but we certainly didn't do the job on Barr. When you're in situation like this, when your go-to player isn't shooting well

or playing well, all the other players have to step up, and we saw that."

The Tigers' No. 7 rank in the Big 12 (14-8, 5-6) placed added significance on the intense rivalry, Barr said.

"I felt pressure on this game, not because it's KU and they haven't won any conference games or anything like that, but because we need Big 12 wins right now," she said.

Despite the slow start in the first half, the Tigers did not waiver from their plan.

"I never really felt panicked," she said. "I always felt that we were in control of the game, and if we just kept playing them hard and put pressure on them, we'd wear them down. I think that's what happened."

Barr said she sees each of the remaining games as equally important.

"We have five games left, and we have to go into every game with that must-win attitude," she said.

*"Today I felt good out there. I played a better defensive game than I have been playing."*

**KERENSA BARR**  
JUNIOR GUARD

### FAN PLAN

☐ Home games

	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Northwest men's bball			Southwest Baptist 3:30 p.m.				CMSU 7:30 p.m.
Northwest women's bball			Southwest Baptist 1:30 p.m.				CMSU 5:30 p.m.
Northwest indoor track & field			Prairie Wolf Invitational Lincoln, Neb.				
Maryville boys' bball			Savannah 8 p.m.				Districts TBA
Maryville girls' bball	Savannah 8 p.m.						Districts TBA
Maryville wrestling		Cameron 7 p.m.		Platte County 6 p.m.			

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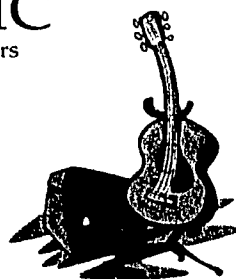
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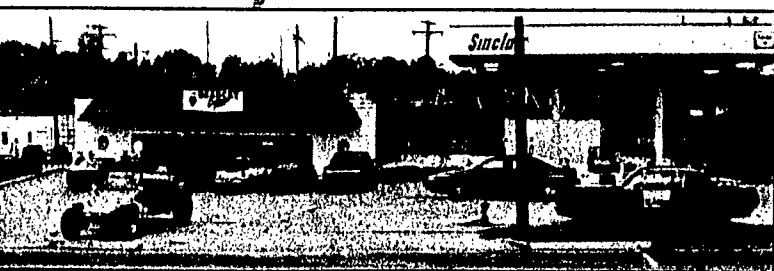
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## Your Man bashes bar scene

The bars are a waste of people's lives. Why do students think the bars are such a magnificent use of their time and money? I've been there, I've done that and I still don't understand. Maybe somebody could enlighten me.

I'll start with the buildings themselves. I haven't been to a bar in Maryville that shouldn't be condemned. The insides are falling down and look like someone decided just not to finish decorating the place. In one establishment in particular, I looked up at the ceiling and wondered what kept those pieces of plaster from coming down on my head. The floors are a disgusting mix of booze, spit, tobacco remains, and the remains of an occasional stomach-emptying spasm. Yet, students flock there every night.

Let's look at the atmosphere in this collapsing building. You can't see across the room because the smoke is too thick. You can't have a conversation because the music is so loud your eardrums are screaming for a break, and it is so hot and crowded that you can't possibly be comfortable.

Then there are the people. We've all



THE STROLLER

seen them and stereotyped them many times in our lives. Drunk jocks, bar sluts, players, sorority girls, fraternity boys and just plain old alcoholics. Sure, there is the occasional bar-goer that just wants to have a few drinks with friends. But a majority of those idiots down there every night are just there to get hammered and hopefully get lucky. Then they climb into their automobile, usually muttering something that sounds like, "I drive better drunk."

How about the money issue, like where in the heck do these fools find enough money to waste at the bar? I

surely don't have enough money to drop at the door of my favorite hangout then get to the bar and drop some more on the drinks themselves. I know some of these people and they will drop upward of 40 bucks a night to slowly subtract years from their lives. That's ridiculous. How do they pay for school, rent, cars, or anything else for that matter?

What is worse is the only excuse these people can come up with is, "What else is there to do in Maryville?" And I want to tell those people to shut up. There is enough to do in this town to keep any person busy on any weeknight. Just open your eyes and shut your mouth and you will find out that there are things to do and places to go that don't involve bars. Yes, the bars are a fine place to spend the occasional evening with friends, but why waste your life and money in such a hole in the wall?

Maybe I am just a giant loser, just a lone voice in this world that doesn't find their main source of entertainment in a dumpy box on the square.

The Stroller has been a tradition since 1918 and does not reflect the views of The Northwest Missourian.

### ENTERTAINMENT REVIEW

## 'Unplugged' goes horribly wrong, Jay Z culprit

By BOBBY GUMM  
CONTRIBUTING REPORTER

"MTV Unplugged" has maintained a fairly prestigious history, that is until this winter when they allowed Jay Z to perform. As if that wasn't horrible enough, they decided to release the performance as an album.

I am a huge fan of acoustical songs and an even bigger fan of live performances, but there is a time and a place for everything. The time and place for Jay Z is on the dance floor or at a party, not on a low-key stage surrounded by acoustical instruments.

The point of unplugged performances is to let the artists break the

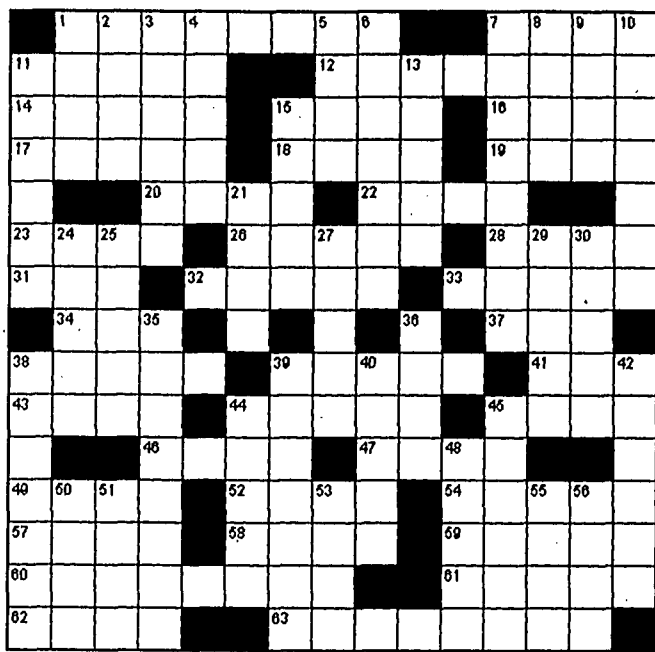
songs down to their core. Unplugged strips them from their comfortable surroundings in an attempt to make the music raw and pure. It tries to dissect each note and most importantly accentuate the vocals. Now, in the case of Jay Z, I can't imagine why anybody would want to accentuate his vocals. Don't get me wrong, Jay Z is one of the best in the business when it comes to rhyming over a beat, but does anyone actually pay attention to what he says?

If you do, you know most of his songs are about the same thing. As with most mainstream rap, his songs are primarily anthems glorifying materialism with a few swear words thrown in

here and there. When there is a good beat behind it, these faults are easy to overlook. I'll even admit that I catch myself singing along with them while dancing or at a party. This isn't the issue though, the problem lies when we are made to believe these songs should be taken seriously.

"MTV Unplugged" has seen its fair share of low points (largely due to some '80s hair bands which will remain nameless) and it saw another one in Jay Z's performance. The American public has once again been polluted by false artistry and it will no doubt happen again. What is next? Limp Bizkit unplugged? Help us all.

### WEEKLY CROSSWORD



#### Across

- Opposition to war
- Incite
- of Athens (Shakespeare)
- Easily carried
- Homeric poem
- Female name
- Jazz background
- Thank you (French)
- River in central Europe
- Dread
- Hydrated magnesium silicate
- Himalayan monster
- Corrodes
- Keen

#### Down

- Line of seats
- Having legal force
- Woven hair
- King
- Aggressive remark
- Wombs
- Vicious expression
- Clergyman
- Language spoken south of Lake Chad
- In a soaking fashion
- Crematory heap of wood
- Body of students who graduate together
- Collection of

#### Things for public display

- Betrays
- Perjurer
- Wrap up
- Dismounted
- William Howard —, former President
- Pan-fry
- Impress forcefully
- Plant-sucking insect
- Better
- Rustlers

#### Down

- Large sum of money
- Arabian chief
- Does together (2-4)
- Republic in S

- Asia
- Moved very fast
  - Wealthy
  - 20th president of the United States
  - Off-Broadway theater award
  - Russian nuclear submarine
  - Thaw
  - Wood
  - Less well cooked
  - Nearby
  - Female name
  - Main artery
  - Chirp
  - Enormous
  - Pixie
  - Fierce person
  - Celestial body such as Cygnus X1 (1-3,4)
  - Gemsbok
  - City in E. Brazil
  - Sets of programs
  - Arouse to a sense of danger
  - Wearing a veil
  - Ballroom dance
  - Micronesian island
  - Passover
  - Simpleton (Austr)
  - Cyclical water flow
  - Small number (1,3)
  - German river
  - "Taxation without representation" lawyer

Answers can be found on this page

### on the edge

#### Restaurant facts:

■ Five percent of people who frequent restaurants claim they eat out because they do not know how to cook.

■ Shrimp is the top seafood ordered in restaurants, followed by salmon and swordfish, according to a National Restaurant Association survey.

■ There is no tipping at restaurants in Japan.

■ Old time restaurants had their own language for waitresses giving the chef orders. Some of the terms were: axle grease for butter, blowout patches for pancakes, baled hay for shredded wheat, Bessie for roast beef, cackleberries for eggs, sinkers for doughnuts, and rabbit food for salads.

■ A Visa Global ATM Network survey of international travelers revealed that the best restaurants in the world are in Paris.

■ In Japan, some restaurants serve smaller portions to women even though the charge is the same as a men's portion.

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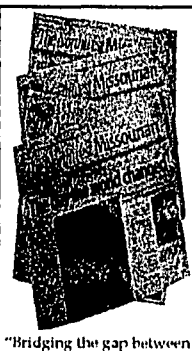
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